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This is a response to the Office Action mailed December 8, 2000. A restriction requirement was made between I. Claims 1-15 drawn to a highthroughput screening method, classified in class 435, subclass 7.1 and II. Claims 16-25 drawn to combinatorial chemical synthesis systems, classified in class 422, subclass 13.1.

Claims 16-25 are elected for prosecution on the merits with traverse.

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